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Dear Mr. Snow:

I was amazed to learn of the plan to build a dozen new dams in California. Certainly there are alternative ways in this day and age to balance the needs of the environment and population growth.

Existing dams are a blight on the landscape of our beautiful state. They have ruined countless rivers and streams for our native trout, salmon, and steelhead. We cannot destroy more, especially for the benefit of agribusiness.

We do not need more dams. We need better water conservation and management. As a CalTrout member, I urge you to let the free market work, which will encourage the development of new efficiencies. This will undoubtedly increase conservation, benefiting all Californians.

Please let me know of your views on this issue.

Sincerely,

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